GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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PURULIA ARMS DROPPING CASE
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the key conspirator in the Purulia arms dropping case is yet to be traced by the CBI despite having carried out investigations in several countries;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the names of the countries where investigation was made by the CBI; and

(d) the estimated expenditure incurred thereon so far?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASGAR RAO)

(a)&(b): CBI, with the help of Interpol Headquarters traced Mr. Kim P. Davy, one of the key conspirators in the case, in Sweden in 1996, in Brazil in 1998, Ecuador in 1998, Sudan in 1998, Netherland in 2000 and Denmark in 2000. However, before the Law Enforcement Agencies could act to apprehend him, he escaped. As he is using different identities and passports and moving from one country to the other, it has become very difficult for CBI and even for Interpol-Headquarters to track him accurately.

(c): CBI conducted formal investigations by sending Letters Rogatory to UK, Latvia, Bulgaria, Hong Kong, Singapore, Taiwan Denmark, Switzerland, Pakistan andBangladesh. Letters Rogatory were executed by the respective authorities in UK, Latvia, Bulgaria, Hong Kong (partly) and Denmark. Other countries have not sent their Execution Reports on CBI`s Letters Rogatory so far. Ir addition to these countries, enquiries were also made by taking the help of Interpol Headquarters in the USA, Australia, Turks and Caicos Islands, Russia, South Africa, Lebanon, Croatia, Sweden, Brazil and Equador.

(d): No separate budget was sanctioned exclusively for this case and all resources were mobilized from within the CBI. Therefore, it is not possible to compute in real terms the expenditure exclusively incurred in the case.